GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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SUBSIDY ON TRACTORS
RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provide subsidy on the purchase of tractors for agriculture purpose;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government are aware that farmers are using their vehicles for commercial purposes; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to check misuse of tractors by farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a)&(b): The State Governments and Union Territory Administrations are providingsubsidy @ 30% of the cost limited to Rs.30,000/- for the purchase of Tractors of upto 30 Power Take Off (PTO) HP alongwith implements to the farmers, individually or in groups, Registered Cooperative Societies, Multipurpose Agricultural Farming Societies,Agricultural Credit Societies under a Centrally Sponsored Scheme `Macro-Management of Agriculture-Supplementation/Complementation of States` Efforts through Work Plans`.

(c)&(d): Instances of use of tractors in the areas other than agriculture have been brought to the notice of the Government. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways have requested all the State Governments to issue suitable instructions to all concerned directing that no tractor carrying passengers/goods (other than agricultural produce) is allowed on roads unless it possesses a valid permit and other transport vehicle related documents.